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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EGEN, EAID, DFIN, FR  
SUBJ: GISCARD'S PROPOSED SPECIAL FUND FOR DEVELOPMENT  
OF AFRICA

REF: PARIS 02136

1. DURING A GENERAL DISCUSSION ON JANUARY 30, FROMENT-MEURICE, DIRECTOR, ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RAISED WITH THE EMBASSY'S ECONOMIC MINISTER THE QUESTION OF GISCARD'S PROPOSED AFRICAN FUND. AS HAD DUTET OF THE ELYSEE STAFF (REFTEL), FROMENT-MEURICE CONFIRMED THAT THE PROPOSAL IS THE ONE FIRST PUT FORWARD BY FRANCE IN 1976.

2. FROMENT-MEURICE SAID THAT, AS WE WOULD HAVE NOTED FROM GISCARD'S PUBLIC COMMENTS, FRANCE UNDERSTANDS PRESIDENT CARTER'S REACTION TO HAVE BEEN ONE OF POSITIVE INTEREST. SHOULD WASHINGTON NEED ANY MORE INFORMATION, THE QUAI WOULD LIKE TO KNOW SO THAT IT MAY BE PROVIDED. OTHERWISE, FRANCE WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING ANY FURTHER U.S. REACTION ON THE PROPOSAL.

3. COMMENT: WE WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE FOR ANY  
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REPLY WE SHOULD GIVE FROMENT-MEURICE. WHILE THE MATTER WAS BROACHED IN A GENERAL DISCUSSION, HE TOOK THE INITIATIVE TO RAISE IT.  
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